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FOLLOWING DRAFT RESOLUTION A/C.4/31/L.27 CONCERNING
FRENCH SOMALILAND WAS FORMALLY INTRODUCED BY EGYPT
ON NOVEMBER 24. A VOTE IS SCHEDULED FOR TH MORNING OF
NOV 25. UKUN MISOFF INFORMED US THAT EC-9 (MINUS FRANCE) IS
WORKING TO ACHIEVE A COMMON ABSTENTION ON THE DRAFT RESOLUTION.
FRANCE WILL NOT PARTICIPATE IN THE VOTE.

QUOTE

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY,

HAVING CONSIDERED THE QUESTION OF SO-CALLED FRENCH SOMALILAND
DJIBOUTI),

HAVING EXAMINED THE RELEVANT CHAPTER OF THE REPORT OF
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THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON THE SITUATION WITH REGARD TO THE

IMPLEMENTATION OF THE DECLARATION ON THE GRANTING OF
INDEPENDENCE TO COLONIAL COUNTRIES AND PEOPLES,

RECALLING ITS RESOLUTION 1514 (XV) OF 14 DECEMBER 1960,
CONTAINING THE DECLARATION ON THE GRANTING OF INDEPENDENCE
TO COLONIAL COUNTRIES AND PEOPLE,

RECALLING ALSO ITS RESOLUTIONS 2228 (XXI) OF 20 DECEMBER
1966, 2356 (XXII) OF 19 DECEMBER 1967 AND 3489 (XXX)
OF 11 DECEMBER 1975 ON THE SO-CALLED FRENCH SOMALILAND
(DJIBOUTI),

HAVING HEARD THE STATEMENTS OF THE REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
LIBERATION MOVEMENTS, THE FRONT DE LIBERATION DE LA COTE
DES SOMALIS AND THE MOUVEMENT DE LIBERATION DE
DJIBOUTI,

HAVING ALSO HEARD THE STATEMENTS OF THE PRESIDENT OF THE
GOVERNMENT COUNCIL OF THE TERRITORY, AS WELL AS THOSE OF THE
REPRESENTATIVES OF THE POLITICAL PARTIES, NAMELY, THE
LIGUE POPULAIRE AFRICAINE POUR L'INDEPENDANCE, THE UNION NATIONALE
POUR L'INDEPENDANCE AND THE MOUVEMENT POPULAIRE DE LIB-
ERATION, AND OF A PETITIONER,

TAKING NOTE OF THE SOLEMN DECLARATIONS OF THE LEADERS OF THE
DELEGATIONS OF ETHIOPIA AND SOMALIA BEFORE THE COUNCIL OF
MINISTERS OF THE ORGANIZATION OF AFRICAN UNITY, AT
ITS TWENTY-SEVENTH ORDINARY SESSION, HELD AT PORT LOUIS
FROM 24 JUNE TO 3 JULY 1976, AND BEFORE THE FOURTH COMMITTEE
OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY, AFFIRMING, THAT THEIR RESPECTIVE
GOVERNMENTS WOULD RECOGNIZE, RESPECT AND HONOUR THE
INDEPENDENCE, SOVEREIGNTY AND TERRITORIAL INTEGRITY OF
SO-CALLED FRENCH SOMALILAND (DJIBOUTI) AFTER ITS ACCESSION
TO INDEPENDENCE,

TAKING NOTE ALSO OF THE RESOLUTION ADOPTED BY THE CONFERENCE
OF MINISTERS FOR FOREIGN AFFAIRS OF NON-ALIGNED COUNTRIES,
HELD AT LIMA FROM 25 TO 30 AUGUST 1975, AND THE POLITICAL
DECLARATION OF THE FIFTH CONFERENCE OF HEADS OF STATE OR
GOVERNMENT OF NON-ALIGNED COUNTRIES, HELD AT COLOMBO
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FROM 16 TO 19 AUGUST 1976 ON THE QUESTION OF SO-CALLED FRENCH
SOMALILAND (DJIBOUTI),

HAVING HEARD THE STATEMENT OF THE REPRESENTATIVE OF
FRANCE AS THE ADMINISTERING POWER, AND IN PARTICULAR, THE
EXPRESSED COMMITMENT OF HIS GOVERNMENT TO LEAD THE
TERRITORY TO INDEPENDENCE IN 1977,

1. REAFFIRMS THE INALIENABLE RIGHT OF THE PEOPLE OF SO-CALLED FRENCH SOMALILAND (DJIBOUTI) TO SELF-DETERMINATION AND INDEPENDENCE;

2. REAFFIRMS ALSO ITS UNQUALIFIED SUPPORT OF THE RIGHT OF THE PEOPLE OF SO-CALLED FRENCH SOMALILAND (DJIBOUTI) TO IMMEDIATE AND UNCONDITIONAL INDEPENDENCE, IN ACCORDANCE WITH GENERAL ASSEMBLY RESOLUTION 1514 (XV);

3. CALLS UPON THE GOVERNMENT OF FRANCE TO IMPLEMENT SCRUPULOUSLY AND EQUITABLY UNDER DEMOCRATIC CONDITIONS THE PROGRAMME FOR THE INDEPENDENCE OF SO-CALLED FRENCH SOMALILAND (DJIBOUTI), AS OUTLINED BY THE REPRESENTATIVE OF FRANCE IN HIS STATEMENT BEFORE THE FOURTH COMMITTEE OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY, WITHIN THE INDICATED TIME FRAME (SUMMER, 1977);

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4. IRGES THE LEADERS OF THE GOVERNMENT COUNCIL OF THE TERRITORY, AS WELL AS THE REPRESENTATIVES OF THE LIBERATION MOVEMENTS, THE FRONT DE LIBERATION DE LA COTE DES SOMALIS AND THE MOUVEMENT DE LIBERATION DE DJIBOUTI,

AND OF THE POLITICAL PARTIES AND GROUPS TO ENTER INTO
BROADEST POSSIBLE DISCUSSION ON NEUTRAL GROUNDS, UNDER THE
AUSPICES OF THE ORGANIZATION OF AFRICAN UNITY, WITH A
VIEW TO RESOLVING THEIR DIFFERENCES, AND TO AGREE ON A COMMON
POLITICAL PLATFORM BEFORE THE HOLDING OF THE REFERENDUM,
IN CONFORMITY WITH THE RESOLUTION ADOPTED BY THE COUNCIL
OF MINISTERS AT ITS TWENTY-SEVENTH ORDINARY SESSION AND
SUBSEQUENTLY APPROVED BY THE ASSEMBLY OF HEADS OF STATE
AND GOVERNMENT AT ITS THIRTEENTH ORDINARY SESSION;

5. FURTHER CALLS UPON THE GOVERNMENT OF FRANCE TO CO-
OPERATE FULLY WITH THE ORGANIZATION OF AFRICAN UNITY
IN ITS EFFORT TO CONVENE, IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE DECISION
OF THE ASSEMBLY OF HEADS OF STATE AND GOVERNMENT, ROUND-
TABLE CONFERENCE FOR THE SPEEDY IMPLEMENTATION OF THE REQUEST
CONTAINED IN PARAGRAPH 4 ABOVE;
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6. REQUESTS THE GOVERNMENT OF FRANCE TO CONSIDER THE
RESULT OF THE REFERENDUM IN ITS TOTALITY, THUS RESPECTING
THE TERRITORIAL INTEGRITY OF THE FUTURE STATE;

7. DEMANDS THAT THE GOVERNMENT OF FRANCE WITHDRAW ITS MILITARY
BASE FROM THE TERRITORY WITHOUT DELAY;

8. CALLS ALSO UPON THE GOVERNMENT OF FRANCE TO ALLOW AND
FACILITATE THE RETURN TO THE TERRITORY OF ALL REFUGEES
WHO ARE BONA FIDE CITIZENS OF THE TERRITORY, IN ACCORDANCE
WITH THE CONVENTION OF THE ORGANIZATION OF AFRICAN UNITY AND
THE UNITED NATIONS CONVENTION RELATING TO THE STATUS OF
REFUGEES;

9. REQUESTS THE GOVERNMENT OF FRANCE, IN ORDER TO ENSURE THE
IMPELEMENTATION OF THE REQUEST CONTAINED IN PARAGRAPH 8
ABOVE, TO SET UP AN AD HOC COMMITTEE IN ACCORDANCE WITH
THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE OAU FACT FIND MISSION;

10. REAFFIRMS IT RESOLUTION 3480 (XXX);

11. ENDORSES ALL RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED BY THE ORGANIZATION
OF AFRICAN UNITY ON THE QUESTION OF SO-CALLED FRENCH SOMALI-
LAND (DJIBOUTI), AND IN PARTICULAR,
RESOLUTIONS CM/RES.431 (REV.1) (XXV) AND CM/RES.480 (XXVII),
AS WELL AS THE DECLARATION ADOPTED BY THE OAU CO-ORDINATING
COMMITTEE FOR THE LIBERATION OF AFRICA, AS APPROVED
BY THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS AND ASSEMBLY OF HEADS OF STATE
AND GOVERNMENT RESPECTIVELY AT THEIR TWENTY-SEVENTH
AND THIRTEENTH ORDINARY SESSIONS, AND WELCOMES THE SOLEMN
DECLARATIONS BY THE LEADERS OF THE DELEGATIONS OF

ETHIOPIA AND SOMALIA BEFORE THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS
OF THE ORGANIZATION OF AFRICAN UNITY AND THE FOURTH COMMITTEE
OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY THAT THEIR GOVERNMENTS WOULD RE-
COGNIZE, RESPECT AND HONOUR THE INDEPENDENCE AND SOVEREIGNTY
OF SO-CALLED FRENCH SOMALILAND (DJIBOUTI) AND ITS
TERRITORIAL INTEGRITY AFTER ITS ACCESSION TO INDEPENDENCE;

12. CALLS UPON ALL STATES TO REFRAIN FROM INTERFERING IN
THE INTERNAL AFFAIRS OF THE TERRITORY AND TO ABSTAIN FROM
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ANY ACTION LIKELY TO IMPEDE OR ADVERSELY AFFECT THE CURRENT
PROCESS OF THE COUNTRY'S ACCESSION TO INDEPENDENCE;

13. WELCOMES THE STATEMENTS BY THE REPRESENTATIVES
OF THE PEOPLE OF DJIBOUTI IN WHICH THEY DECLARED THAT THE
TERRITORY WOULD BECOME A MEMBER OF THE UNITED NATIONS
AND OF THE ORGANIZATION OF AFRICAN UNITY IMMEDIATELY AFTER
INDEPENDENCE;

14. ENDORSES THE DECISION OF THE ORGANIZATION OF AFRICAN
UNITY AND THE UNITED NATIONS TO SEND REPRESENTATIVES TO
OBSERVE THE REFERENDUM AND ALL SUBSEQUENT STAGES OF THE
INDEPENDENCE PROCESS TO ENSURE THAT THE PRINCIPLE OF
SELF-DETERMINATION IN THE TERRITORY IS CARRIED OUT SMOOTHLY
AND IN THE MOST DEMOCRATIC MANNER;

15. URGES ALL MEMBER STATES, THE SPECIALIZED AGENCIES AND OTHER
ORGANIZATIONS WITHIN THE UNITED NATIONS SYSTEM, IN CO-
OPERATION WITH THE ADMINISTERING POWER, TO RENDER ALL POSSIBLE
MORAL AND MATERIAL ASSISTANCE TO THE PEOPLE OF THE TERRITORY. UNQUOTE
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